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DIARY NOTES

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28 June 1955

1. Mr. Greenberg of Suitland, Maryland, telephoned to say that the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission had assured him that they could guarantee adequate sanitary facilities at any place in the Suitland area within ninety days.

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2. [] telephoned to tell me that people were running around trying to spend as much money as possible before the end of the Fiscal Year, not realizing that any money we spend now merely cuts down on the amount of Reserve we will have for next year.

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3. Matt Baird inquired about the status of the recent "war planning" paper signed by the Director. Told him that [] was working on it and that we would have something to the offices in the near future. He, quite properly, thinks that this is an extremely important paper but worries whether we have adequate personnel to carry it out.

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5. Talked to Matt about the cut in slots for CIA at the National War College and he is preparing the necessary information for the Director.

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7. Matt again expressed a feeling that there was a duplication of testing activities in the Agency, particularly by the Medical Staff and the Office of Training. He said that [] who recently entered on duty, seemed to have the idea that he was supposed to do the same thing that the Office of Training was now doing. I have asked Gates Lloyd to look into this.

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8. Harry Reynolds reports that his people have reviewed the pay raise situation insofar as it involves contract personnel. He, the General Counsel, and the Comptroller agree that only about fifty of our contract personnel should receive automatic pay raises. Told him that if they were all of the

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same opinion on this to go ahead.

9. There was more general confusion between the Office of Personnel and the Comptroller with regard to the pay bill. I told the Office of Personnel to make all changes on the proposed Notice which the Director had signed, to get it concurred in by Messrs. Reynolds, Saunders, and [redacted], and to present it to me prior to publication.

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25X1A9A 10. [redacted] telephoned to explain his great displeasure with the second edition of the Monthly Letter published by the Office of Personnel. I told him that I would take a look at it.

11. Attempted to contact Senator Stennis to inquire about the status of the Bill on our proposed building. He has not returned my call as yet.

12. Harry Reynolds advises me that the DD/P area is not interested in the recall to active duty and employment of [redacted]. Asked him to follow up with Bob Amory.

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25X1A9A [redacted] have not made such claims. In view of this precedent I told [redacted] that we should honor [redacted] claim
25X1A9A this time. I also instructed [redacted] to prepare for my signature a memorandum to the Deputy Director (Plans) pointing out this discrepancy and asking that corrective action be taken to avoid repetition.

14. Eddie Mathews of Skidmore, Owings, and Merrill was in for about an hour to discuss our building with us. He would like very much to have us select his company to do the architectural work. In view of the admonition which we received on the Hill from Congressman Mahon and Senator Stennis, I doubt if this would be a wise idea. They are pretty unhappy about what Skidmore, Owings, and Merrill have done to the Air Force Academy.

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15. I approved of a new table of organization for Project [redacted] as follows:

| | <u>New</u> | <u>Old</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--------------|------------|------------|--------------|
| Headquarters | 104 | 19 | 123 |
| [redacted] | 69 | 32 | 101 |
| [redacted] | 3 | 15 | 18 |
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In addition to the above, there will be about 123 headquarters personnel from Communications, making a total of about 367 people in this project.

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16. [] telephoned about a proposed cable [] which would instruct the Station there to retain the [] for the time being and authorize repairs at a cost not exceeding \$26,000. Told him to go ahead and release it.

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17. Ed Saunders reports that the \$300,000 for the Project [] in which [] is interested, having to do with [] has been squared away with the Bureau of the Budget which has given its approval for the transfer of this money to the Foreign Operations Administration.

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18. Asked Ed to get [] to brief him on [] budget and, if possible, to set up an appointment with the Bureau of the Budget on Thursday so that we could obtain approval for the release of this amount from the Reserve. (There may be some delay inasmuch as Bob Macy is away on leave and won't be back until the middle of July.)

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19. Asked Harry Reynolds to coordinate with the Office of Security and to expedite the reassignment of Mr. [] to that Office. Told him, however, that when all of the necessary papers were ready I would like to review them with him and Colonel Edwards before the assignment was actually made.

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